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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JANUARY 11, 2007 FINAL  
OFFICE ACTION AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
AS A SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114(c)  
ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the January 11, 2007 Final Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. Applicants are concurrently submitting a Request For Continued Examination (RCE). Accordingly, this Amendment is to be treated as a submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c) accompanying an RCE. A response to the January 11, 2007 Final Office Action was due July 11, 2007. On July 11, 2007, applicants filed a Notice of Appeal And Petition For Three-Month Extension Of Time. The Notice of Appeal was received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 16, 2007. As a result, the deadline for taking further action was September 16, 2007. However, since September 16, 2007 falls on a Sunday, an RCE filed on Monday, September 17, 2007 will be considered timely. Accordingly, the RCE and this amendment filed as a submission to the RCE are being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

An **Information Disclosure Statement** begins on page 10 of this paper.